

Agricultural Water Management Compliance

If the DWR awards the Poso Creek IRWM drought funding for the Calloway Canal Improvements (Project 1 in Section 3.5), North Kern will receive all funding from the proposed grant as the primary Grantee. The Cawelo Water District (Cawelo), a district neighboring North Kern which is also an RWMG member for the Poso Creek IRWM Group, will also be reimbursed through North Kern since they anticipate sharing in the “local” (e.g., non-DWR funded portion) cost of any Calloway Canal Improvements. As explained in Attachment 3, the Calloway Canal is jointly used by both North Kern and Cawelo, and both would benefit from the implementation of this project. However, if fully funded, the local cost share will be covered by federal funding, thus, eliminating the need to Cawelo to contribute local funds to complete this Project.

The point of contact for North Kern is as follows:

North Kern Water Storage District

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North Kern has developed an Agricultural Water Management Plan (AWMP) following the DWR’s 2012 AWMP Guidebook, entitled “A Guidebook to Assist Agricultural Water Suppliers Prepare a 2012 Agricultural Water Management Plan”, utilizing a Proposition 50 Planning Grant received from the DWR. North Kern’s AWMP will be finalized in July, 2014 and considered for adoption at North Kern’s August 19, 2014 Board of Directors meeting. North Kern anticipates delivering the completed AWMP to the DWR shortly after the August 19 board meeting allowing time for the DWR to conduct a review for compliance with CWC. North Kern anticipates having completed the DWR’s review for compliance with CWC by the end of August or early in September, 2014.

The point of contact for Cawelo is as follows:

Cawelo Water District

Contact Name	David R. Ansolabehere
Contact Title	General Manager
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Cawelo has developed an AWMP following DWR's 2012 AWMP Guidebook referenced above. Cawelo has already submitted their AWMP to the DWR in April, 2014 and has since received a letter dated July 14, 2014 from the DWR indicating that the AWMP was found to be in compliance with CWC. A copy of the DWR letter, regarding compliance of Cawelo's AWMP, is included at the end of Attachment 1.

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July 14, 2014

Mr. David Ansolabehere
General Manager
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Dear Mr. Ansolabehere,

The Department of Water Resources has completed its review of your Agricultural Water Management Plan for the purpose of meeting the requirements of Water Code Sections 10608.48 (a)-(d), and 10800 *et seq.*, Part 2.8. We find that your plan generally meets the requirements of the code sections. DWR's review of plans is limited to assessing whether suppliers have addressed the required legislative elements. In its review, DWR does not evaluate or analyze the supplier's plan data, projections, or water management strategies. This letter is simply meant to acknowledge that the supplier has addressed these requirements. The results of the review will also be provided to the DWR's Water Use and Efficiency grants program and the Financial Assistance Branch, and to any other state agency that offers grants and loans.

Finally, we wanted to let you know that DWR intends to update its AWMP Guidebook by the end of 2014 in order to further assist water suppliers in preparing their plans.

If you have any questions regarding the review of the plan, please feel free to contact Marty Berbach at (916) 651-9216 or martin.berbach@water.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Brostrom".

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cc: Sabrina Cook, Environmental Scientist
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